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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009-10 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 579

Introduced by Assembly Member Huber

February 25, 2009

An act to add Section 8546.10 to the Government Code, relating to state boards and commissions.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 579, as amended, Huber. State boards and commissions: audits. Existing law provides for the salaries and raises of various exempt state employees, including the board members and commissioners that receive an annual salary from the state for their service on a state board or commission.

Under existing law, the Bureau of State Audits has statutory audit and evaluation duties. Existing law specifies that the State Auditor, who is appointed by the Governor, is the head of the Bureau of State Audits.

This bill would require the State Auditor to annually, upon appropriation by the Legislature, audit the workload of at least 2 state boards or commissions comprised of board members or commissioners to whom the state pays an annual salary for their service on those state boards and commissions. The State Auditor would be required to make findings for each state board or commission audited regarding the workload of that state board or commission and the number of hours necessary for each board member or commissioner to work to fulfill his or her duties to that state board or commission. The State Auditor would be required to complete these audits and make these findings by

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June 1 December 31 of each year. The State Auditor would also be required to annually report to the Legislature and the Governor regarding these audits and findings. The State Auditor would be required to audit the workload of the California Integrated Waste Management Board and the California Unemployment Insurance Appeals Board in accordance with, and in satisfaction of, the above provisions, by June † December 31, 2010.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 8546.10 is added to the Government 2 Code, to read:

8546.10. (a) Upon appropriation by the Legislature, notwithstanding subdivision (a) of Section 8544.5, the State Auditor shall annually audit the workload of at least two state boards or commissions comprised of board members or commissioners to whom the state pays an annual salary for their service to those state boards and commissions.

- 9 (b) For each state board or commission audited, the State Auditor shall make findings regarding the workload of that state board or commission and the number of hours necessary for each board member or commissioner to work to fulfill his or her duties to that state board or commission.
 - (c) The State Auditor shall complete the audits required by subdivision (a) and make the findings required by subdivision (b) by June 1 December 31 of each year.
 - (d) The State Auditor shall annually report to the Legislature and the Governor regarding the audits and findings required by this section.
 - (e) The State Auditor shall audit, and make findings regarding, the workload of the California Integrated Waste Management Board and the California Unemployment Insurance Appeals Board, in accordance with the requirements of this section, by June 1, December 31, 2010. These workload audits shall be conducted in accordance with and in satisfaction of the requirements of

26 subdivision (a) for the year 2010.

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